

Somerford Primary School

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term. I hope this half term will be as successful as the first. As you are aware, there are still some Covid restrictions in place in school. All children should be in school (at the back gate) at 08;45 and we finish at 3;10. Please ensure your child brings a water into school every day! Fruit is available to Year 1 children for snack time but if you prefer to provide your child with a snack please ensure that it is healthy.

Topic

This half term our topic is called "Toys" and our focus book in English is 'Traction man is here' by Mini Grey. In Maths we will continue to learn how to add and subtract numbers within 10 and we will learn about 2D and 3D shapes. We will continue our learning about 'Every Day Materials' as part of our Science Curriculum and we will learn about old toys and new toys in our History lessons. In Music we will be following the Charanga program and learning the song 'Rhythm in the way we walk'. In computing our learning will be focused on programming toys.

Well being

In Jigsaw we will be celebrating difference and looking at why it is important to accept people for who they are. It is also 'Anti bullying week' during the week beginning 15th November and we will be completing a range of activities.

RWI

We will be continuing with the RWI programme this term. Your child will still bring home the RWI book they are reading in RWI sessions and another book at the same level to read with you. Please ensure your child brings their books into school every day.

<u>PE</u>

Outdoor PE this term will be on a Monday and Indoor PE (gymnastics) will be on a Tuesday. Please ensure your child has warm clothing for outdoor games.

Other key dates to remember are:

Monday 15th November 'Anti-bullying week - Odd Socks day Thursday 16th December - Final day of Autumn term

Christmas dates will be sent out on a separate letter.

Homework:

Finally, please do continue to hear your child read at least 3 times a week record it on Marvellous Me. Also, please ensure your child uses TTRS and Spellzone at least 3 times a week. By the end of Year 1, your child should know their 2x and 5x tables confidently. Daily practise really does make a huge difference!

As ever, should you have any concerns or questions please arrange to meet with me or you can even send me an email 1AR@somerford.dorset.sch.uk . Many thanks for your support.

Yours sincerely.

Mrs Ramos